

Aldrich, Walter

January 12, 1892

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Will write you more in particular in a day or two.

Haller Hedrick



NOTHING BUT THE ADDRESS TO BE ON THIS SIDE.

Mrs S. N. & N. Chapman,

134 & Pine Street,

Philadelphia, Pa -

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January 14, 1892

WALTER ALDRICH,

Bibliographer and Antiquarian,

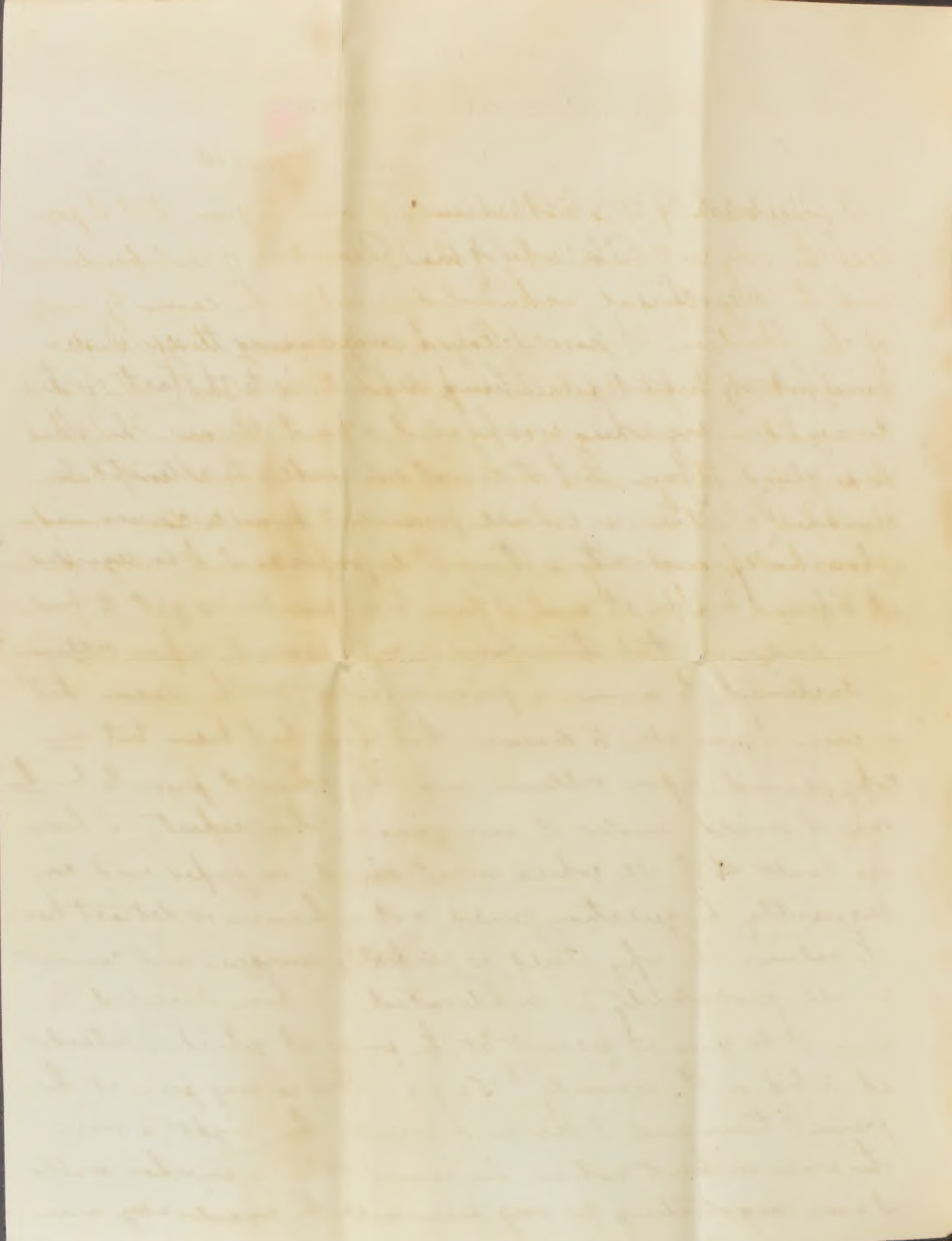
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Messrs S. H. & N. Chapman,
Philadelphia, Pa.

Dear Sirs:

I have delayed my answer to your inquiry hoping to find something definite as to the fact of there having been any copies ever issued upon vellum. The glass is so glued to face that it is not advisable to attempt to remove it. I saw a small piece cut from a corner and I have no opinion other than it is paper and I so regarded it before I bid on it and I have been unable as yet to find any evidence that there was a copy issued upon vellum. I declined to name a price upon it for the reason that in case I was able to discover that there had been but one copy issued upon vellum and this should prove to be the one it would render it unique in this respect. I have no doubt that all copies were issued on paper and consequently the question could not enhance or detract from its value. The copy itself is perfectly unique and cannot in all probability be duplicated. I have decided to price it to you at present at the price at which I intended to bid on it, namely, \$150.00 - This is my price at the present time and I desire to reserve the right to raise the price without notice. In case I obtain another matter I am negotiating for my price will be considerably more -



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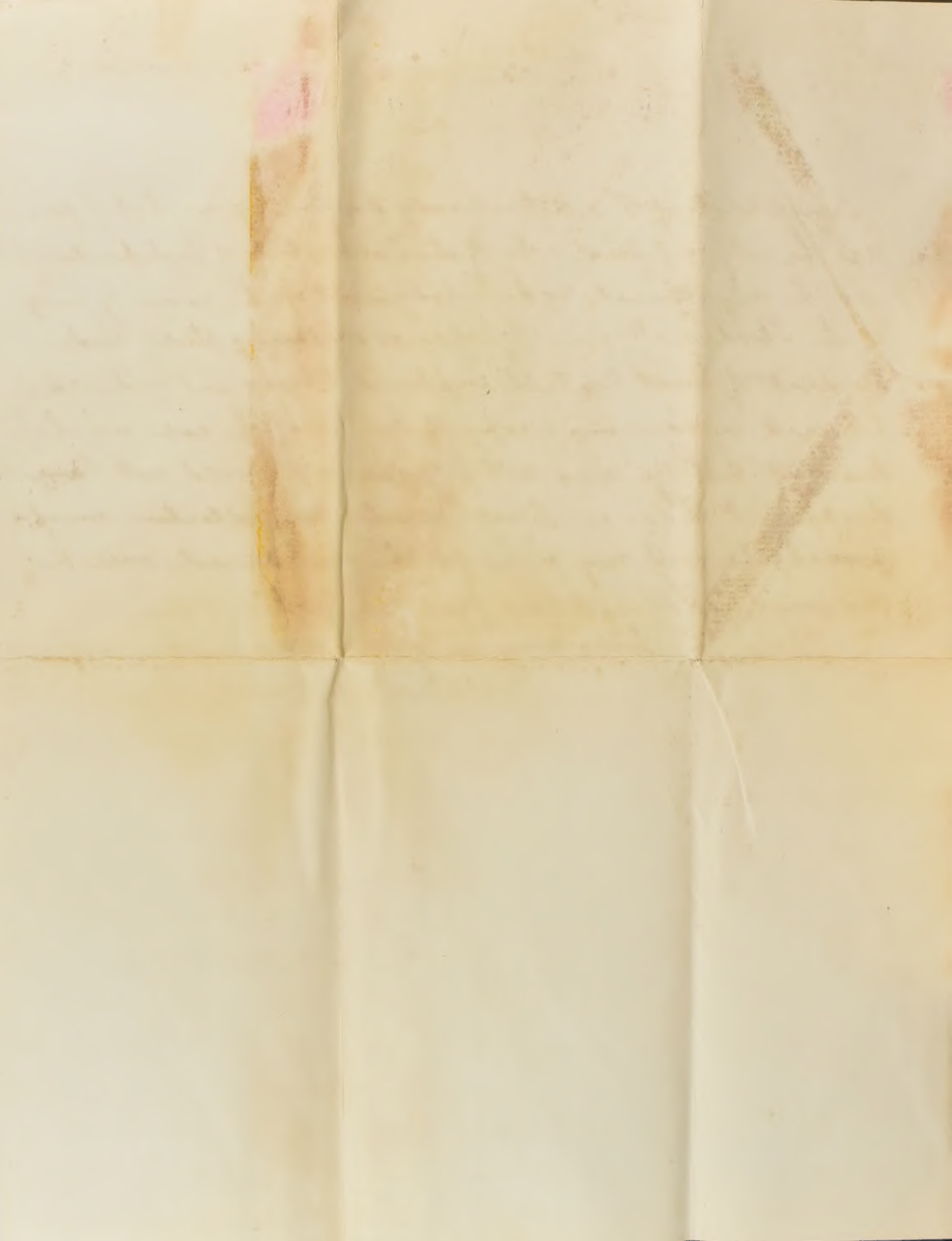
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I will state if it is not already known to you that I possess the only certified copy of the Declaration of Independence and the only official acknowledgment of the same by any of the Thirteen Original Colonies declaring itself Independent of Great Britain supposed to be extant. Should I succeed in securing a copy of No. 710 of the sale which I knew at the time was not unique or I would not have dropped it at \$500.00, it will render my collection unapproachable and my price for the one desired will be increased. Hoping to hear from you further, I am,

Yours very truly,

Walter Aldrich



Aldrich

Memorandum





Messrs. S. S. & V. Chapman,

1348 Pine Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

